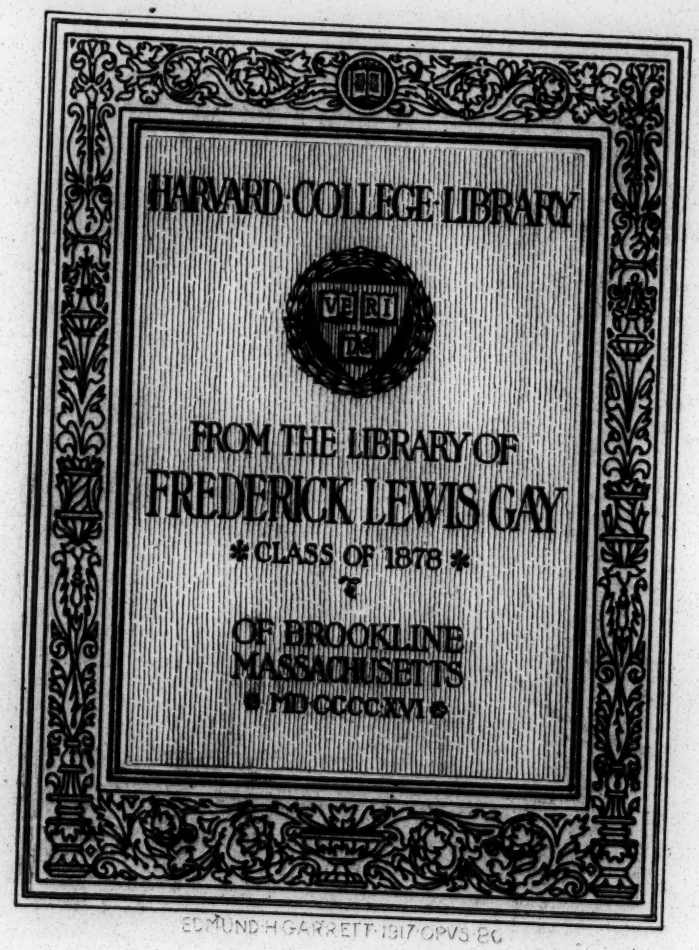

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THE
Vow and Covenant
APPOINTED
By the LORDS and COMMONS Assembled in Parliament.

To be taken by every man, in the Cities of *London*, *Westminster*, the Suburbs, and Liberties thereof; and thoroughout the whole Kingdome.

Die Sabbathi, 17 *Junii*. 1643.

ORdered by the *Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament*, *That this Oath and Covenant shall be forthwith printed, and published to the whole Kingdome.*

J. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

Printed for *Iohn Wright* in the Old-baily,
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Die Sabbathi 17. Iunii. 1643.

IT is this day Ordered by the Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled, That publike Thanksgiving throughout the whole Kingdom, for the discovery of the late Plot, shall be on Thursday come three Weeks, being the thirteenth of July next ensuing: At which time the Covenant and Oath shall be tendered to every man in the severall Parish Churches and Chappels throughout the Kingdom, after the Sermon or Evening Prayers shall be finished.

Jo. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

The Vow and Covenant, appointed by the Lords and Commons in Parliament, to be taken throughout the whole Kingdome.

WHereas the Lords and Commons now assembled in Parliament have declared, that there hath been, and now is a Popish and trayterous Plot for the subversion of the true Protestant Reformed Religion, and the Liberty of the Subject; And that in pursuance thereof, a Popish army hath been raised, and now is on foot in divers parts of this Kingdome: and have further in a solemne manner Declared, Vowed, and Covenanted, That in Order to the security and preservation of the true Protestant Religion, and Liberty of the Subject, they will not consent to the

the laying downe of Armes, ſo long as the Papiſts now in open Warre againſt the Parliament ſhall by force of Armes be protected from the juſtice thereof. And whereas the Lords and Commons have Declared, that there hath beene a treacherous and horrid Deſigne lately diſcovered by the great bleſſing, and ſpeciall Providence of God, of divers perſons to joyne themſelves with the Armies raiſed by the KING, and to deſtroy the Forces raiſed by the Lords and Commons in Parliament, to ſurpriſe the Cities of *London* and *Weſtminſter*, with the Suburbs, and by Armes to force the Parliament: And the ſaid Lords and Commons finding by conſtant experience, that many waies of force and treachery are continually attempted, to bring to utter ruine and deſtruction the Parliament and Kingdome, and that which is deareſt, the true Proteſtant Religion

ligion: and that for the preventing, and withstanding the same, they have thought fit, That all who are true hearted, and lovers of their Country, should bind themselves each to other in a sacred Vow and Covenant, in manner and form as followeth, and accordingly.

I A. B. In humility and reverence of the Divine Majestie, declare my hearty sorrow for my owne sins, and the sins of this Nation, which have deserved the Calamities and Judgements that now lie upon it; And my true intention is, by Gods grace, to endeavour the amendment of my own Wayes; And that I do abhor and detest the said Wicked and treacherous Designe lately discovered; And that I never gave, nor will give my assent to the execution thereof, but will, according to my power and vocation, oppose and resist the same, and all other of the like nature: And in case any other like Designe shall hereafter come to my knowledge, I will make such timely discovery as I shall conceive may best conduce to the preventing thereof. And whereas I doe in my Conscience beleeve, That the Forces raised by the two Houses of Parlia-

Parliament are raiſed and continued for their juſt Defence, and for the Defence of the true Proteſtant Religion, and Liberties of the Subject, againſt the Forces raiſed by the King: I doe here, in the preſence of Almighty God, Declare, Vow, and Covenant, That I will, according to my power and vocation, aſſiſt the Forces raiſed and continued by both Houſes of Parliament, againſt the Forces raiſed by the King without their conſent; And will likewiſe aſſiſt all other perſons that ſhall take this Oath, in what they ſhall do in purſuance thereof; And will not directly or indirectly adhere unto, nor ſhall willingly aſſiſt the Forces raiſed by the King without the conſent of both Houſes of Parliament. And this Vow and Covenant I make in the preſence of Almighty God, the Searcher of all hearts, with a true intention to perform the ſame, as I ſhall anſwer at the great Day, when the ſecrets of all hearts ſhall be diſcloſed.

ORdered that this Oath and Covenant ſhal be tendered to the whole Kingdome.

John Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

Die Sabbathi, 17. *Junii* 1643.

IT is this day Ordered, by the Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled, That this Oath and Covenant shall be tendred to every man within the Cities of London and Westminster, and Liberties thereof, on Sunday the five and twentieth of this instant June in the afternoon, after Sermon, in all the Parish Churches and Chappels, within the said Cities and Liberties aforesaid.

J. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

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